BOERS RETAIN THEIR POSITIONS

Fighting Goes On Along an Extended Line at Thaba N'Chu.

ROBERTS IS HELD BACK.

Boers Not Expected to Stand Long With Their Much Smaller Forcecapture at Windsorton.

haba N' Chu, Tuesday, May 1, af--Gen. Hamilton's division was aged yesterday and today in foreing assage northward. At Houtney the front held a line of hills command. the sides of the Nek. The Canaand Gordons attacked the hill to oft and the Shropshires and Mar-I's horse suported by a battery, made an atack on the enemy, who ly fed, leaving many wounded, and assage was cleared.

he Boers on the mountain are nov ing the outlying camp, necessitatmoval to a safer place.

Boers have three guns on the the eastward of this place, outenemy retain their positions and ish are not attempting to dis-

a full day's fighting, secured the la N'Chu-Bioemfontein road.

Hamilton, by reaching Houtney

A BOER"POM-POM"

Dewetsdorp are going to Winburg, as the large British force at Thaba N'Chu renders a retreat to Brandfort risky. Reports are current that Brandfort may be abandoned without a fight.

A general order has been published awarding the Victoria cross to an officer, a non-commissioned officer and a gunner of Q battery of the royal horse artillery for gallantry displayed during the recent fighting at Sannas post. A letter from Sergt, Parker, who is believed to be one of those just deco-rated with the Victoria cross, describ-ing the Sannas post disaster, is pub-ished today. He says: "In galloping from the spruit, my gun was over-turned and my horse shot. I got up with No. 4 gun and we remained three hours under the most terrible fire. In five minutes I had lost two complete detachments and only one gunner, Lodge (also decorated with the cross) and myself were left to work the two guns, he at one and I at the other. W remained at the guns loading, laying and firing by ourselves and brought both guns out of action by ourselves. We have been recommended for the Victoria cross,"

Winston Churchill, telegraphing to

the Morning Post from Thaba N'Chu April 28th, and describing the opera ions there, says: "Yesterday after noon, upon the withdrawal of the Brit ish demonstrations on both flanks of the enemy, the Boers pressed to closquarters and Kitchener's horse wer unable to evacuate their position unti midnight. The suspense caused grea

Today's operations were intended to drive or to intercept the Boers They occupied a wide horseshoe of mountains, with the convex face to and us. Gen. Hamilton succeeded to crushing the Boers on the right and pening a road for Gen. Dickeon's caying brigade, which dashed through nd hunted the enemy from ridge to ige, shelling them with horse artil-

the horseshoe, and the Boers, in par-ties of 200, could be seen within the

Hamilton, by reaching Houtney full day's fighting, secured the N'Chu-filoemfontein road.

on. May 2, 4 a. m.—Fighting, than any since Ladysmith, to be imminent near Thaba

FULL STRENGTH OF THE BOER ARMY

At No Time Did This Exceed 40,-000 Men.

25,000 UP TO JANUARY 1

This Was the Army Which Held in Check Britain's Vast Forces.

New York, May 2 .- A Kroonstad, Orange Free State, letter to the World, dated March 18, says:

Observers who have been in the

Transvaal since the war began have all along insisted that the Boer army has never been stronger than 40,000 men. In the early part of January, Major D. T. Lang, a man of many years' South African military experience, and a ate by excluding exports from Turkey. member of Lord Roberts' body guard, gave me a critical estimate of the Boer forces, which he placed at no less than 125,000. In the interview I had with 150 Out of Germans. President Kruger two months ago Oon Paul said that the combined forces o the two republics did not aggregate 40,000 men. In the lists of wounded and closed space, running about like rats dead which are posted in all publi a trap. Dickson had hoped to make places by the Red Cross authorities bag, and he signaled to Hamilton garding the situation. Hamilton 500, and from this fact I was led to believe that the president purposely underestimated the Boer strength.

May 9th. The leader of the fusion wing Gen. J. B. Weaver, of Iowa, once the nominee of the Greenback party, and once the nominee of the Populists for In Woman's Life Are Made Danger-President, is here to rally the delegates.

Paper Mills Fire.

Steubenville, O., May 1 .- Fire about midnight nearly destroyed the plant of the Steubenville Wall Paper Co., also a

half million rolls of wall paper. The loss is \$50,000, fully insured. Gets Office in Porto Rico.

St. Louis, Mo., May 1 .- D. J. Sinelair, a postoffice inspector connected with the St. Louis force, has been appointed chief postoffice inspector of Porto Rico. . M. McKee, also of this city, will go s his assistant.

Trade With Turkey.

Washington, ay 2 .- It is stated that report had been prepared by the de-artment of agriculture in regard to our trade with Turkey for the use of the state department in the settlement of questions pending between the two governments. Secretary Wilson delined to discuss the subject, but it was earned that the statement is in sub-tance to the effect that while our next exports to Turkey amount to ess than \$590 a year our imports of ate thousands of dollars per annum st of a species of cotton necessary the manufacture of certain kinds goods, and as this cotton cannot be o tained elsewhere, it is thought to be apparent that our government, accord

MONEY FOR KRUPP.

its Out of Germans. Washington, May 2 .- Consul General Sunther, at Frankfort, has furnished of the state department some facts made by Krupp in his contracts for guns and ammunition with the German government. It is informed that some ime ago Krupp furnished to the government field guns at \$1.145 each. Competitors afterwards received orders of the same kind for \$464 each. Krupp thereupon reduced his price to \$492. Shrapnels from Krupp at \$2 each, his ompetitors can furnish for a little over

furnish Cickel plate for the German navy is said to be untrue as the process of manufacture is well known. The esting grounds required by the navy department, however, are of the same dimensions as those of Krupp, which belong to the government, and have been rented to him, thus precluding competition, as without assurance from the government no other manufacturer would dare risk the investment of from \$75,000 to \$750,000 necessary for requisite testing grounds.

MEXICAN OFFICIAL ARRESTED. Col. Vega is Charged With the Assassination of Two Frenchmen.

City of Mexico, May 2 .- An important arrest has been made in Chilipa, state of Guerro, the prisoner being no less a person than Col. Vega, who is civil chief person than Col. Vega, who is civil collection of that district, a position resembling somewhat that of United States marshal. He is believed to have guilty shall be as of facts in the case of asknowledge of facts in the case of as sassination of two prominent French men in that district some months ago It was alleged at the time that Messrs Courtment and Dupin got into a quar-rel with Indians who resented their go ing there on an exploring expedition. The government has pushed its investi gation into the crime with great energy and the result is the arrest of Col. Vega, who yesterday unsuccessfully tried to cut his throat. A partial confession has been secured from the mayor of the town of Topaillo and several Indians. gratified at the indefatigable efforts made by the federal authorities to dis-cover the secret of one of the most wanton murders that ever disgraced the history of the state of Guerro, It is believed that within a few days the whole history of the crime will be laid bare.

Miss Barrymore Not Engaged. New York, May 2.-Miss Ethel Barrymore denies the report of her engage-ment to be married to Charles de Wit-

\$1,000 for a Widow.

New York, May 2.-Andrew Carnegie, who refused to contribute to the Dewey arch fund, has given \$1,000 to the fund for the widow of Sergeant Douglas, who was killed at Croton dam during the recent strike. In sending the check "Sergeant Douglas fought not for foreign conquest but for peace and or-der at home."

Congressman Boutelle Failing.

New York, May 2.-Word has been received by personal friends of Charles A. Boutelle, representative from the fourth Maine district, that he is fail-ing so rapidly in health that unless there is a quick change for the better it will be cruel to permit him to be a candidate for re-election next fall. His

candidate for re-election next fall. His physicians assert that he is in grave danger of death.

Mr. Boutelle has been very ill for many months and experts on neurology have told his family he can never again be himself. Despite his condition, he was renominated by acclamation. The helief is now strong hard that the condition of the condition o belief is now strong here that his name will be withdrawn

PLAYEDAS HIS WIFE WAS DYING Paintal Ordeal Which an Actor Had to Go Through.

Chicago, May 2.-While his wife lay dying in a hospital, Robert Wayne, leading man of a theatrical stock company, now playing in this city, was compelled, through unavoidable stress of business, to play his role of the young lieutenant in the drama "Dewey, the Hero of Manila." The audience little suspected that the galety and sprightliness in his portrayal of the character of the romantic officer character of the romantic but the mask of a grief that threatened to drive the actor's lines from his mem-ory and disorganize the presentation of the first production of the play in Chi-

When Wayne entered his dressing



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NEW OCEAN RACER PLANNED

Vessel Expected to Cross the Ocean in Less Than Five Days.

North German Lloyd Line Places Order for the Fastest Steamship Yet Designed. New York, May 2 .- The North Ger-

manman Lloyd line has just placed with the Vulcan Ship Bullding company, of Stettin, an order for a vessel which is to maintain an average speed of twenty-five knots per hour. In the contract it is further stipulated that this forthcoming flyer shall have a length of 752 feet and an engine power of 45,000 horse Thus, in speed, horse power and size,

this new leviathan will exceed all oththis new leviathan will exceed a consider a special approach to her in the way of speed is the Hamburg-American steamship Deutschland, which is soon to be placed in service in the transatlantic route in service in the transatlantic route. and which is guaranteed by her build-ers to have a sustained sea speed of not les than twenty-three knots an hour. But the engines which are emplaced in the Deutschland have an indicated horse power of only 33,000 as against his racer's 45,000. The horse power of he Deutschland, by the way, far exds that of any other vessel now

In regard to size, this new product of the German shipwright will far out-class anything now aftoat. The Oceanic, of the White Star line, now holds the distinction of being the biggest ship that was ever launched. But her length over all is 704 feet against this vessel's 752 feet.

With all her size the Oceanic has no retentions in the way of speed. She is ontent to make her way across the Atantic in a week's time. The Deutsch-and, which is much faster, but of less size, hopes to accomplish the trans-atlantic run within five days. The new ship will, if her builders fulfil their contract, steam into port in the near fu-ture with all sorts of broken records trailing behind her—that for greatest speed in an ocean liner and that for greatest length and beam and depth be-

ing among them.

The contract calls for the vessel's completion in 1901. Before she is com-pleted it is possible that the strong rivairy which exists between the two big German lines, the Hamburg-American and the North German Lleyd, may lead o the building of another still bigger and faster.

The construction of the record-breaking Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, of the North German Lloyd line, brought about the building of the Deutschland by the Hamburg-American company.
The prospect that the Deutschland will boutdo the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse has in turn led the North German At the conclusion of the performance Lloyd to contract for a vessel that will outclass her.

The Cunard line, whose Lucania holds the New York-Queenstown record, may be forced to greater exertions. The best time made by the Lucania to the westward, is five days, seven hours and twenty-three minutes. If the new German racer goes over the same route and lives up to her contract in the way of speed, she will accomplish the run in four days and twenty-one hours.

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province, says:

Havana, May 2 .- Col. Carlos Cespedis ays there is no fear of a rising in the astern provinces. Nevertheless the la-or problem will have to be solved bor problem will have to be solved there, for now that the crops are gathered, many will be out of work in that part of the earth. He thinks that most of the Cubans in Santiago province of the Cubans in Santiago province of the nawife by Mrs. Reitz, the wife of the secretary of state of the South African tional party, trusting to the honor of the United States for the establishment of the government. "The best way of

sing Ladysmith and Kimberley much but we were vere very sorry about Cronje. We knew him to be a brave man, and we all prayed God that it might please Him to restore him and his burghers to us. The president asked the people to pray for him on hree successive nights, and he hope that he might fight his way out. Will God utterly forsake us? Perhaps He will still hear us in His own good time

"I see in today's paper that 54,000 ore troops are coming. The outlook certainly not bright now. I suppose ou have heard that Baden-Powell at Mafeking threatened to send armed Kaffirs to invade the Rustenburg and Marico districts if we did not withdraw our forces before the third of March, and he has actually done so. Our general warned him that he would have to take the consequences. Khamas Kaf-firs are well armed and cruel beyond words to women and children. The men there are mostly away on com they tried this experiment before and how they themselves had to acknowledge how completely the Kaffirs got out of hand. I heard today how two wo-

this, our poor people, I do not think they will find many men left. We do not fear the great number of English troops—they cannot shoot; but it is the cannon we can do so little against, "Will your people not help us? Perhaps your government will not let them. I shall pray God night and day that He may move the heart of your President and lay such words in the mouth of Webster Davis as will go home to the people of America to make them listen to the cries of the little child that is being murdered here by n

BOERS WILL EMIGRATE.

Will Not Stay in the Transvaal if Robbed of Their Independence.

still believe that the independence of hundreds of them are taking the opp site view, and are casting about for a suitable country to which they can emigrate. State Secretary Reitz said

country, but if it is taken away from us, we want to go somewhere where

there is a republic."

The friends of President Kruger say that if the Transvaal loses her inde-pendence, he will spend the last years of his life in Holland or Germany.

of the ecumenical conference was held at Carnegie hall tonight, there be-

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such Africa, Lord Roberts, with ref-tence to the publication of the Spion top dispatches. Replying to a question the financial scretary of the treasury, Mr. Han-bur, said the cost of the war up to March 3ist was £22,250,000.

Rolling Mills Shut Down. Toledo, O., May 1.—The east side roll-is mills here, which are a part of the depublic Iron & Steel com; any system, have shut down indefinitely, throwing an men out of work, Lack, of orders is

ven as the cause of the suspension. First Governor of Hawaii. Washington, May 1.—President Dole

s been selected as the first governor Hawaii. The formal announcement ficials to be appointed by the Presient is complete.

FEEDING VALUE OF SORGHUM. Chemical analyses show that the

eding value of sorghum is greatess ben the plant is young. When two set high it contains three times a such hitrogenious matter, twice such fats, and only two-thirds as my fibre or woody material as it does what has attained its growth and form seeks. Young sorghum is an almost stock food since it contains fleeting the second of the second orming materials and fat-forming merials in the ratio of 1 to 7. Wh sed for pasturage at least before th not more than two feet high, si the stalks first eaten off will usual

taining less than blue grass or Bromu and a little more than Indian cort said he.
Col. Francisco Valiente, former chief as early a stage as it can be well our Analyses show that after the period of rural mounted police of Santiago flowering the sorghum stalk rapidly ? comes more fibrous or woody and the proportion of the more valuable for are overwhelmingly in favor of the union democratic party. They do not desire to force the hand of the United They do not consider that Cuba is yet in a condition where the Unit-ed States could leave her to herself. ng materials makes it especially adap "So far as the rumors of rebellion are concerned, El Diario de la Marina

Such a thing is absurd. The Cubans now know that they cannot ex-pect even a single trifle in the shape KINDERGARTEN WORK IN CUBA

assistance from outside. Beyond is, the revolutionists are divided When the proper materials arrive it Cuba-which will be soon—the normatraining will begin in earnest. A corp among themselves, and the negroes, who did more of the fighting, are discontent. of teachers is to be sent out from t. States. Under these, normal classes f ed because they are now left out in Chicago, May 2.—A special dispatch to the Record from Washington says:
Gen. Wesley Merritt, who is soon to go upon the retired list, has asked for relief from duty as commanding general of the military department of the East. The war department today granted the request, selecting Gen. Loss to the list of the manufaction of the stand with a view to ultimatel placing proper Cuban teachers in the placing proper Cuban East. The war department today Judging by past experience, however granted the request, selecting Gen. John there is little doubt that modern met R. Brooke as Merritt's successor. Gen.
Merritt will go to Europe with Mrs.
Merritt after May 10th, the date named as that upon which the date named the introduction of new ideas. As that upon which the transfer of here and there one comes upon a strus Gen. Otis will not return to the Phil. hopelessly following the lead of som ippines in the autumn as has been reported. He will probably be assigned to the department of California.

As often as I have tried, I have found the boys deeply interested ! Cost of the War to March 31, Was ment to them. the small experiments turned out hug

London, May 1.—In the house of commons today the parliamentary secretary of the war office, Mr. Wyndham, announced that under the exceptional circumstances of the case he proposed to lay on the table of the house the telegraphic correspondence between the secretary of state for war, the marquis of Lansdowne, and the commander of the British troops in

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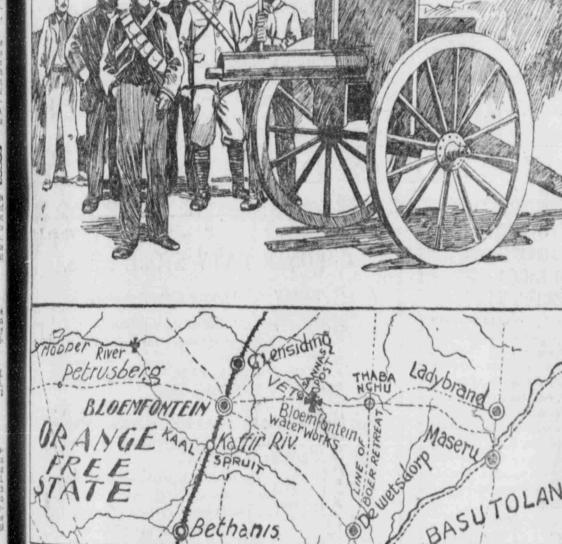
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THEATER OF WAR EAST OF BLOEMFONTEIN AND A BOER "POMPOM."

The accompanying map shows Wepener, Thaba Nchu, Ladybrand, De Wetsdorp and the Boer line of retreat north. eer "pompons" are frequently mentioned in dispatches. They are Vickers-Maxim guns of a very late pattern and Tremely effective. The sound they make when discharged gives them the name "pompom.

dispatch from Pre-28th, they were exbattle and have numer-

be at least 6,000

If the masses of Lord Robked the British outsh guns at Warthrough from sixty-one miles with dispatches don dailies. That says: "We can

months or more. appears to have ly by more Rhode-advancing again. the Boers near Wind-

Koenig, on April s at Beira and em-Transvaal wool. replying in the to appeal for require, and all base." here are 1,960 British mining in the Trans-

hey are to be expelled im-A from Rhoemfontein, dated 4ril 30th, says: "Most of

with artillery on Dickson and at the same time the Boers who had escaped earlier in the day from our imagined the camps and as a result of this order trap returned in force against Dick-son's left and rear with two guns. In Yet no amount of figuring will show east 15,000 men. to recede, and he only just withdrew 000 men pitted against the British 200,

degrees in the medical faculty of Bshops college, Lennoxville, Dr. F. W. Campbell, dean of the faculty, said: "I regret that neither Miss Evans its doors to woman practitioners. Both the general and the Royal Victoria hos-pitals have refused to do so."

shops were lending assistance to six boiler manufacturers who have been

"While drinking coffee, I visited a celebrated physician who told me that my severe headaches, languld feelings and inability to work were caused by the

fee, without any disagreeable after ef-

tches of Lord Rob- alry brigade, but they quickly opened week issued an order that every bur-

him 30,000. The in time.

No Chance for Women. cine at Bishops college, for the reason that no hospital in the city will open

Boilermakers Strike.

the number of 350 have gone out on a strike, thus completely tielng up the

report that a number of the unlor fighting the union for months. To ascertain to what extent this report was

HAPPY LITTLE GIRL.

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Montreal, May 2.- In presenting the (who had taken the David silver medal)

Chicago, May 2.-Botter-makers to twenty-two shops in which they had

The trouble was precipitated by a true, Business Agents Sullivan and Shanahan called the strike.

blood being very thick and sluggish, from the use of coffee, Since leaving off coffee and using Postum Cereal Food Coffee, I have recovered my energy, am able to work hard and feel brighter and

fect. She feels strengthened and in-vigorated with the Postum, while on the contrary, coffee made her weak and hervous. We also give it to the little girl every morning, and it would be a hard matter to find another child as

In the early months of the fightingsay up to the middle of January-the Boers had less than 25,000 men actually war office in Pretoria made a careful inquiry concerning the number of men in laager for the purpose of sending Christmas gifts to them. The replies from the different commandants, generals and field cornets showed that there were about 28,000

presents were sent out to be distribut. After the distribution had taken place and each man had received one gift it was found that more than 3,000 presents remained undistributed. Since February many hundreds of men have been sent to the front and at the present time the Boer armies are as strong as they ever can be, unless the volunteers continue to come in from Delagoa bay, the only way by which

men at the front and that num

the strength of the army can be in-creased, now that every Boer in the two republics is at the front some-There is no such a thing as roll call in the Boer army, nor is there any method by which the actual numbers in a cerain commando can be ascertained with any degree of certainty, and consequently there is not one who is able give the exact strength of the army

the field today. These figures appear ridiculously low when it is considered that after almost six months' fighting the British army of ten times that size has been able to overrun only a small part of the republics' territory, but it must be taken int account that every Boer is an arm unto himself, that every one is mounte on a fleet horse which can sustain it-self on the grass it finds anywhere, and that there is no extensive commissariat to prevent the Boer from dashing up to the enemy, delivering a hard blow and escaping in time to prevent the

enemy from doing much injury to him. Bryan Populists Meet.

Indianapolis, Ind. May 1 .- The State April 20th, says: "Most of is. We are great believers in Postum." | ullsts began here today. In the latest of the ous by Pelvic Catarrh.

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om and began making up for his part the night's performance he took with m the knowledge that there was lithope of his wife's recovery, since e had undergone a serious operation. st before the curtain rang up the of came that she probably would before morning. The actor, unerved, was called upon to face the oblem of leaving and ruining the perormance, there being no understudy eady to take his part.

Between his appearances on the stage in the melodrama Wayne was at a teleon. Several times the call boy had lead the excited and anxious actor ack to the wings and fairly push him

ayne hardly stopped to alter his ake-up before he was speeding to the ospital. He found his wife so weak nat she was unable to speak and At 4 o'clock in the morning, or about our hours after Wayne had reached he hospital, his wife died. Mrs. Wayne joined the company last fall. She played the role of Nero's wife, Poppea, in "Quo Vadls."

Wife of Transvaal Secretary Writes of the War. St. Louis, Mo., May 2.-The correspondent of the Republic at Washington says: Webster Davis, until recently assistant secretary of the interior, has re-ceived from the United States consul

LETTER FROM MRS. REITZ.

"Pretoria, March 11, 1900. "Many things have happened since rote to you last. We did not min

not mean to. May God have mercy on

men were murdered there,
"If God means the English to crush

big and strong man, as our president expressed it."

New York, May 2.—A Pretoria letter to the World, dated March 23, says: "Although the majority of the Boers

If the English take those republics and raise the union jack over them, will take my family to America.' An scores of other Boers have said the same thing to me. Many of the older Boers will trek to German West Africa where there are thousands of square miles of fertile territory, and thousands An old Boer in the Free State several days ago asked concerning the rates of passage to America. "You see," said he, "we are going to fight hard for our

Ecumenical Conference Closes, New York, May 1.-The last meeting

ing fully as large an attendance as on the opening night. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity and hundreds were turned away. Former President Benjamin Harrison presided to interesting speeches by prominent delegates to the conference.

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